

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

SUNNY LYNNE KNAUFF,

Petitioner,

vs.

TINA HORNBEALE,

Respondent.

No. C 08-1148 JSW (PR)

**ORDER OF TRANSFER**


Plaintiff, a prisoner of the State of California, currently incarcerated at Valley State Prison for Women in Chowchilla, California, has filed a petition for a writ of habeas corpus in this Court. Petitioner is seeking review of her criminal conviction from Butte County, which lies within the venue of the Eastern District of California. *See* 28 USC § 84(b).

Venue is proper in a habeas action in either the district of conviction or the district of confinement, *see id* § 2241(d). Federal courts in California traditionally have chosen to hear petitions challenging a conviction or sentence in the district of conviction. *See Dannenberg v. Ingle*, 831 F. Supp. 767, 767 (N.D. Cal. 1993); *Laue v. Nelson*, 279 F. Supp. 265, 266 (N.D. Cal. 1968).

Therefore, the Court ORDERS that pursuant to 28 USC § 1404(a) and Habeas LR 2254-3(b), and in the interest of justice, the Clerk of the Court shall TRANSFER this matter to the United States District Court for the Eastern District of California. The Clerk of the Court shall transfer this matter forthwith.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

DATED: March 5, 2008

  
JEFFREY S. WHITE  
United States District Judge

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE  
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

SUNNY LYNNE KNAUFF,  
Plaintiff,

Case Number: CV08-01148 JSW

**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

v.

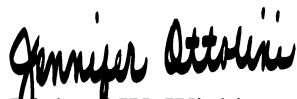
TINA HORNBEAK et al,  
Defendant.

I, the undersigned, hereby certify that I am an employee in the Office of the Clerk, U.S. District Court, Northern District of California.

That on March 5, 2008, I SERVED a true and correct copy(ies) of the attached, by placing said copy(ies) in a postage paid envelope addressed to the person(s) hereinafter listed, by depositing said envelope in the U.S. Mail, or by placing said copy(ies) into an inter-office delivery receptacle located in the Clerk's office.

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Dated: March 5, 2008



Richard W. Wieking, Clerk  
By: Jennifer Ottolini, Deputy Clerk